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AS PRIME MINISTER NORODOM KANTOL NOT AVAILABLE UNTIL MONDAY,  
I SAW FOREIGN OFFICE THIS MORNING AND,

INDICATING I WAS ACTING UNDER INSTRUCTIONS MY GOVERNMENT,

MADE POINTS OUTLINED EMBTEL 367.

PRESS STORY REPORTED EMBTEL 367 REPRESENTED OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT,

DECISION TAKEN SOME TIME AGO AND ANNOUNCEMENT HAD ORIGINALLY

BEEN SCHEDULED BE MADE OCT. 20 BUT HELD UP UNTIL YESTERDAY.

REFERRING LOCAL PRESS CRITICISM US POSITION AND EARLIER OFFICIAL  
STATEMENT IN UN RE CUBA (I DID NOT [REDACTED] BY NAME),

I SAID THIS NEW ACTION WOULD GIVE IMPRESSION CAMBODIA NOT TAKING  
NEUTRAL POSITION AND US PUBLIC AND PRESS REACTION WOULD BE VERY

UNFAVORABLE, PARTICULARLY AS THESE ACTIONS WERE COMING AT PERIOD  
OF GRAVE WORLD CRISIS WITH US DEEPLY INVOLVED. ASKED WHETHER RKG

COULD NOT NOW ISSUE FURTHER ANNOUNCEMENT STATING [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IN  
VIEW PRESENT CRITICAL SITUATION, [REDACTED] SAID HE COULD NOT  
GIVE ANSWER AS THIS WOULD DEPEND ON GOVERNMENT DECISION AND  
PERHAPS AGREEMENT WITH CUBAN GOVERNMENT, BUT PROMISED GOVERNMENT  
WOULD CONSIDER THIS SUGGESTION.

[REDACTED] BECAUSE IT HAD  
BEEN TECHNICALLY IMPOSSIBLE COMPLETE DETAILS OF AGREEMENT BY  
OCT. 20, DATE ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED FOR ANNOUNCEMENT. SOURCE  
NOTED AGREEMENT NEGOTIATED AT MOSCOW. SOVIET GOOD OFFICES PLAYED

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IMPORTANT PART AND       

        
        
IF CUBAN GOVT  
SENT ONE IN NEAR FUTURE, BUT INDICATED THIS WOULD BE STUDIED  
ALONG WITH MY SUGGESTION MENTIONED ABOVE.

        
        
IN REPLY MY COMMENT ON LOCAL CRITICAL PRESS COMMENT, WHEN I ASKED  
WHETHER OFFICIAL POSITION DECIDED AND REMINDED HIM OF THE  
PRESIDENT'S HOPE RKG WOULD SUPPORT US PROGRAM IN UN,  
AND NO  
DECISION YET REACHED.

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